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# ABRAHAM LINCOLN—BROCHURE

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## THE BURTON ORATION



### What Some Friends Think and Say.

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ELBERT HUBBARD of the Philistine, says:

EAST AURORA, NEW YORK, Aug. 25, 1903.

DEAR BROTHER BURTON:

Your Lincoln address is masterly. I am delighted to have it. I am much interested in your Lincoln library and hope some day to see it. I was born down on the Chicago and Alton toward Springfield. Yes, come and see us by all means. So here is love all 'round, for I am yours.

Sincere,

ELBERT HUBBARD.

'PROF. RASMUS B. ANDERSON formerly of the Wisconsin State University and late U. S. Minister to Denmark and Editor of "*Amerika*," says:

MADISON, WIS., August 27, 1903.

MY DEAR BURTON:

I have received your Monograph on Lincoln and read it with deep and unflagging interest. It is a masterpiece of Eulogy. I like it very much.

Yours faithfully,

R. B. ANDERSON.

SENATOR JAMES H. CATHEY of Sylva, N. C., says:

I have the clean, correct and physically pleasing copy of your Oration on incomparable "*Old Abe*," and have read every word of

it for the second time. It is *intellectually* refreshing to me. It is *genesis* in the realm of Eulogistic and characteristic Lincolniana. It is original in general concept and original in manner of expression. It is peculiarly bouyant and virile, keeping the interest at high tide from beginning to end.

It laughs through the pearls of dewey morn and weeps through the mist of the gloaming.

It is the production of none other, save one who has a profound grasp upon the complex and mysterious subject.

It deserves to rank and will rank, among the few greatest characterizations of Lincoln, characterizations that deserve immortality. You must send me the autograph edition copy. It will sell like hot cakes. There is plenty of room in the world for Lincolniana and yours is simply superb in every respect. The mechanical execution is superior to anything I have ever examined, the illustrations are artistic and lifelike, and I prize it for its intellectuality and its beautiful personality very highly.

I hope to arrange to publish it in my coming new edition of "The Genesis of a Wonderful Man," which you know is the life of the real Abraham Lincoln.

Truly your friend,

JAMES M. CATHEY.

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PROF. EDMUND D. DENISON — Ripon College — Ripon, Wisconsin, says:

AUGUST 20, 1903.

MY DEAR MR. BURTON:

I have your oration on Abraham Lincoln and have given it a careful reading, and am glad to note the emphasis you place on Lincoln's *character* as an essential factor in his personal success and in the success of his righteous principles.

As a character sketch your *oration* is a gem and it will be a valuable contribution to Lincoln literature, not because of the mere pleasure of reading about a great man, but because your own enthusiastic admiration of the greatest man that ever lived is contagious, and will be communicated in some degree to every intelligent reader.

Sincerely yours,

E. D. DENISON.

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DOCTOR WILLIAM H. McDONALD, Lake Geneva, Wis., says:

AUGUST 22, 1903.

MY DEAR MR. BURTON:

When I saw your Lincoln oration a few days ago at my neighbor's home, Mr. Barfield's, I formed the resolution to write you and ask what a man had to do to make himself worthy of one. You can imagine therefore my delight to find a copy in my mail

this morning. I had the pleasure of listening to you on the occasion of its delivery in 1896 and had many times had it in mind to ask you if you had preserved the manuscript. Allow me, Mr. Burton, to thank you heartily and believe me that the little copy is most highly prized by me. Yours sincerely,

W. H. McDONALD.

HON. DANIEL FISH—Author of Bibliography on Lincoln Literature and member of Committee for Revision of Statutes of Minnesota, says:

MINNEAPOLIS, MINN., August 28, 1903.

MY DEAR MR. BURTON:

Do not be disturbed as I much prefer to call at your home to see your Lincoln library after your collection is all back from the bindery.

I found awaiting me in Chicago your address on Lincoln so kindly sent me. Aside from its value as a part of my set of Lincolniana, this work will be a pleasant reminder of you and your zeal as a Lincoln admirer.

I shall be in Springfield, Ill., in a day or two and if there is anything I can do for you there, write me care of F. E. Adams, Capitol.

With thanks for your courtesy, I remain

Very truly yours, DANIEL FISH.

MR. C. P. FARRELL, Publisher of Ingersoll's Works, 117 East 21st Street, New York City, says:

DEAR MR. BURTON:

Your little brochure on Lincoln has made its appearance.

It is the gem of recent years. I will take all of the Lettered Edition of 20 copies of the 26 copies at \$5.00 each, and 5 copies of each of the 150 Autograph Edition at \$2.50, also 5 copies of the 50 Souvenir Edition on parchment at \$3.00 and 5 copies of the Cardinal Regular Edition at \$1.00

Presume we will want all of the Souvenir Edition as soon as it is properly announced.

Yours always,

C. P. FARRELL.

MR. JOSIAH BARFIELD, Cashier of First National Bank, Lake Geneva, Wis., August 18, 1903, says:

MY DEAR BURTON:

I am just in receipt of your oration on Abraham Lincoln, and thank you for remembering me with a copy of it.

I, too, am a great admirer of Abraham Lincoln and enjoy studying his life and character. Your oration has touched very concisely and pointedly on the leading traits of his character, and I shall prize the oration very highly as a literary treasure.

You have certainly gotten up the edition in a handsome style and the feature of making it limited with each copy numbered and signed with your autograph, is to me a particularly unique and interesting feature and will make it doubly prized.

Ever yours,

JOSIAH BARFIELD.

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MR. JOHN B. SIMMONS of the law firm of Cooper, Simmons, Nelson & Walker, Racine, Wisconsin, August 24, 1903, says:

MY DEAR BURTON:

I received last week the copy you sent me of your address on Abraham Lincoln, but I did not get a chance to read it until yesterday and have enjoyed it very much.

It is interesting and eloquent and contains a number of facts new to me. I find it full of your old time enthusiasm which was also pleasant. I thank you for remembering me.

Yours sincerely,

JOHN B. SIMMONS.

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THE MILWAUKEE SENTINEL of Aug. 21, 1903, says:

"The oration on Abraham Lincoln by John E. Burton of Lake Geneva, Wisconsin, has been published in pamphlet form. This oration is a fine estimate of the Man and the President, and is an eloquent tribute to the great life."